



FEBRUARY 8th



On this day in...

2013: A cold winter storm dropped over a foot of snow at higher elevations in the San Bernardino Mountains on 2/7 and on this day. Ten to 12 inches was reported from Lake Arrowhead and Running Springs, and up to ten inches in the Laguna Mountains. Snow accumulated as low as 2000 feet elevation, including one to three inches of snow in Yucaipa and Beaumont.

2002: Santa Ana winds started on this day and ended on 2/10. A gust of 80 mph was measured at Descanso, 78 mph at Fremont Canyon and 76 mph in San Bernardino. A fire developed in the Fallbrook area.

2001: Over a week of heavy snow that started on 2/6 and ended on 2/14 continued on this day. The snowfall was called “most in a decade.” Five feet fell at Blue Jay and Mountain High, two feet at Snow Summit, and five to 12 inches at Apple Valley. The roof of an ice rink caved in at Blue Jay.

1998: El Niño got into gear. Heavy rain that started on 2/6 and ended on 2/9 brought up to three inches of rainfall to Southern California. Catastrophic and widespread flooding resulted, especially in Newport Beach and Irvine. Lots of property damage occurred in southern Orange County. Evacuations and swift water rescues were needed. Landslides, mud slides, and sink holes occurred. Roads, bridges, and railroads were damaged. Surf in excess of 15 feet caused the collapse of five mobile homes in San Clemente. The Balboa Pier in Newport Beach was also damaged.

1993: Heavy rain that started on 2/7 and ended on 2/10 brought one to five inches of rainfall near the coast, up to ten inches of precipitation to the mountains and 0.5 to 1.5 inches in the deserts. Eight to 18 inches of snow fell in the mountains. Widespread flooding occurred. On this day a tornado hit Brea causing property damage.

1992: A series of many intense storms started on 2/5 and ended on 2/16. The storms brought a total of 20+ inches of precipitation to the mountains and eight to 16+ inches to lower elevations. Two were killed in an avalanche at Mt. Baldy. Flash flooding, mud slides, and road closures also occurred.



Snow accumulated in Yucaipa on this day in 2013.

1989: Snow fell across the region from the beaches in LA to the desert in Palm Springs. It started on 2/7 and ended on 2/9. 15 inches fell in the mountains and three inches fell at Palmdale. Major road closures and numerous traffic accidents resulted.

1986: A snowstorm on this day and on 2/9 brought eight inches to Cuyamaca, seven inches at Mt. Laguna and four inches at Julian.

1978: Heavy rain that began on this day ended on 2/10. 16.4 inches fell at Lytle Creek, 13.64 inches at Lake Arrowhead, 11.97 inches in Wrightwood, 11.15 inches in Devore, 10.4 inches at Santiago Peak, 8.5 inches in Crestline, 5 inches in Ontario, 4.79 inches in Big Bear Lake, and 3.83 inches in Santa Ana. 20 were killed all over Southern California. Widespread flooding, flash flooding, and mud slides resulted, and numerous homes washed away.

1976: During a heavy rainstorm, 2.10 inches of rain was recorded in just five minutes at Haines Canyon in the San Gabriel Mountains. Strong storm winds hit 64 mph at Palmdale.

1932: 2.30 inches of rain fell in Palm Springs, the greatest daily amount on record for February.